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House Appropriations Request FY 2011

Project Name: Crop Pathogens and Protection
Recipient: North Carolina State University
Recipient Address: Campus Box 7214, 240 Administrative Services III
2701 Sullivan Drive
Recipient City: Raleigh
Recipient State: NC
Recipient Zip: 27695

Amount of Request: \$400,000

Explanation of the request (must include purpose and why it is a valuable use of taxpayer funds):

The funding will be used for continuing research into genome sequencing of crop pathogens, which is the key to detecting and tracing pathogens. This research will develop state of the art diagnostic tools and for the development and technical maturation of new strategies for detection of crop pathogens. An outcome of this research is the development is an internet accessible genomic DNA database that in addition to containing genome data, contains additional information on pathogenicity, toxin production, geographic distribution and other biologically relevant data. This information is necessary to develop tools to limit crop disease through biological control or fungicide methods. The research will contribute toward the development of methods that can reduce the threat to food safety and even bioterrorism.

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